

Lawrence Public Schools

All Students. One Team.

Dear School Families,

Our staff appreciated meeting with you during Conference Week. It is our intention that these be continuing conversations about your child's progress. Please reach out to your child's teachers at any time. We value your partnership!



Thank you to all who attended our State of the Schools Address Tuesday. I covered a lot of changes, celebrations, and challenges since 2018. That's when your input during our Listening and Learning Tours led to the district's first 5-year strategic plan in decades. Lawrence High's Room 308 Productions, under the direction of video/digital media teacher Zach Saltz, recorded this event, including three fantastic student performances. [Find it on our YouTube channel.](#)

Coming up, we invite you to visit informally with your school board members, help us design a "Portrait of a Graduate," and celebrate 100 years of history with Liberty Memorial Central Middle School. Its future is bright, as we continue to discuss a STEAM-themed curricular focus to grow enrollment.

Speaking of STEAM, in the photo above, middle school scholars from across the district work together to construct buildings of recycled materials for model cities during a Future City Leadership Retreat. A hands-on, cross-curricular educational program, Future City brings STEAM - Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math - skills to life!

Sincerely,

Anthony S. Lewis, Ph.D.

Superintendent of Schools



Beyond the Boardroom

Meet with your elected school leaders "Beyond the Boardroom." Drop by for an informal conversation with Lawrence school board members at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 30 in the Schwegler Elementary library or at 6:00 p.m. Dec. 4 in the cafeteria at Community Connections at Pinckney. Board members look forward to visiting with you!



KS Apply Free Days

Any Kansas resident can apply for free from Nov. 7-9 at any of the state's public universities, community colleges, and technical colleges, or private member institutions of the Kansas Independent College Association. Fees will be waived for general applications, certificate programs, and associate and bachelor degree programs. Learn more at KansasRegents.org.



Liberty Memorial's 100th Anniversary

You are invited to celebrate 100 years of rich history as Liberty Memorial Central Middle School rededicates the WWI memorial. Join us Nov. 12 for a special ceremony at 2:00 p.m., followed by an Open House until 5:00. Reunite and reminisce with alumni, students, educators, staff, and community members.



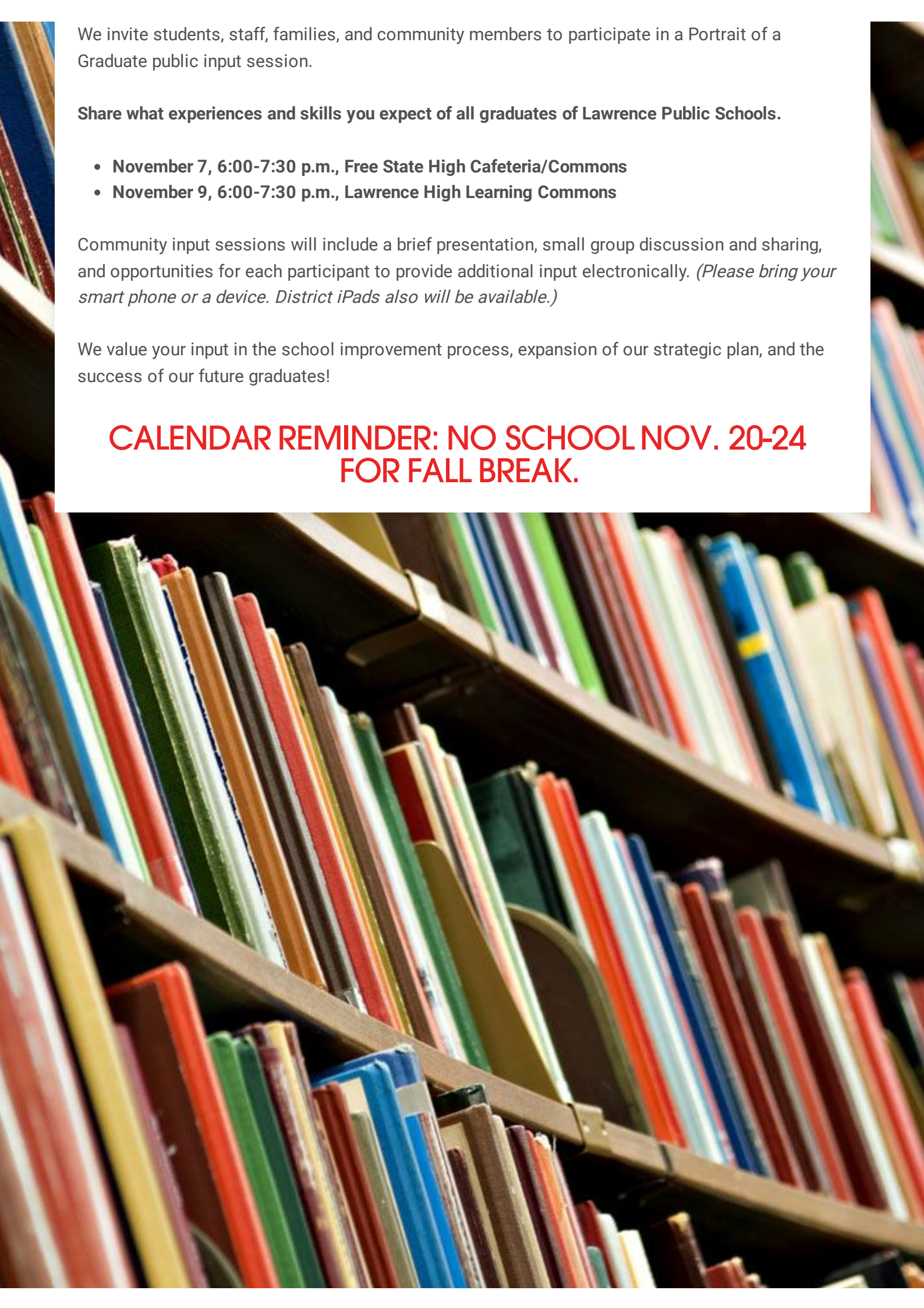
PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS



What skills & experiences
do all of our graduates need
to thrive in college, careers, & life?





We invite students, staff, families, and community members to participate in a Portrait of a Graduate public input session.

Share what experiences and skills you expect of all graduates of Lawrence Public Schools.

- **November 7, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Free State High Cafeteria/Commons**
- **November 9, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Lawrence High Learning Commons**

Community input sessions will include a brief presentation, small group discussion and sharing, and opportunities for each participant to provide additional input electronically. *(Please bring your smart phone or a device. District iPads also will be available.)*

We value your input in the school improvement process, expansion of our strategic plan, and the success of our future graduates!

**CALENDAR REMINDER: NO SCHOOL NOV. 20-24
FOR FALL BREAK.**